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NIS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 40

20 September 1949

1. The following were present:

Dr. Appleton Lt. Col. Ruwet Col. Hayward Cdr. Howell Lt. Cdr. Nutt Lt. Col. Wade

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2. IAC Agency requirements for NIS Operating Memoranda were revised as follows:

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- 3. It was pointed out that, since actual production of elements of Chapter I is scheduled to begin shortly, it is highly important that Agency comments on the Prototype for Chapters I be received in G/Ba at an early date.
- 4. It was stated that the business of the next Committee meeting would be mainly concerned with the subject of revision of Standard Instructions for National Intelligence Surveys. The following miscellaneous comments concerning this revision were made:
 - a. Members were requested to bring to the next meeting lists of the names and telephone numbers of their Agency members of Subcommittees. Copies of these lists should be exchanged among members so that all may be informed.
 - b. The member of the Agency which is coordinator of a chapter will be the chairman of the subcommittee which is revising that chapter.
 - c. Chapter VII will not be revised until the IAC have approved the proposal for an IAC Scientific Intelligence Committee.
 - d. It is desirable for the NIS Committee member to attend at least the first meeting of each Chapter Subcommittee to see that it is properly oriented and that questions pertaining to Committee thinking may be properly answered. Members from Agencies which are not chapter coordinators should carefully orient their Agency members of subcommittees.

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- 5. Navy is still to report a list of those NIS the Naval intelligence in which is to be withheld. Navy is also still to reply to the memorandum of the Deputy Chief, G/Ba, dated 29 August 1949. It was requested that these reports be submitted at the earliest practicable date in order to facilitate operations in G/Ba which are contingent upon them. It was also stated that, as soon as these reports are received, a final check will be made on the releasability of all NIS published or in the hands of G/Ba at that time. The releasability of elements received thereafter will be determined solely on the basis of the procedure outlined in NIS Operating Memorandum No. 7, 31 August 1949, and not by individual check within G/Ba of each element against Agency memoranda previously submitted.
- 6. Report was made by State, Army, and Air Force Members as follows regarding graphics, now in the hands of G/Ba, to be returned:
 - State all graphics to be returned
 - Army Chapter II, Publication Division, G/Ba already has instructions (to return all graphics)
 - Chapter III, G/Ba will be notified as soon as Engineers indicate to ID which graphics are to be returned
 - Chapter VII, no graphics have been submitted
 - Chapter VIII, graphics may be destroyed thirty (30) days after NIS has been published

Air Force - no graphics are desired to be returned

- 7. The Chairman reported a special situation which has arisen with regard to Chapter IX (Map and Chart Appraisal) of NIS 26 (USSR). Briefly this situation is as follows:
 - a. The Geodetic Control Section of Army Map Service is finding the task of determining the reliability of selected map coverage for NIS 26 exceptionally time consuming. This is due to the following:
 - (1) Break between Western and Soviet datums

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- (2) Numerous geodetic problems involved in trying to resolve the differences
- (3) Problems arising from the large number of authorities concerned
- b. AMS proposes the following alternative solutions:
- (1) Omit the map of reliability of selected map coverage on the grounds that it is not specifically called for by Standard Instructions. In this event, AMS feels that general textual description accompanied by a map of the geodetic network will provide the user with sufficient information to determine the reliability of maps
- (2) Provide a reliability map showing the zone in which the break between datums occurs instead of the exact location of the break
 - (3) Extend the deadline for Chapter IX of NIS 26

It is understood that a memorandum regarding action in this matter is being forwarded by AMS through channels to ID and that assistance from the NIS Committee in securing favorable consideration would be welcomed. The Chairman stated his views regarding the situation as follows:

- a. It is within the bounds of neither responsibility nor propriety for the NIS Committee to intervene in the discharge of Departmental functions.
- b. The situation with regard to the reliability map for Chapter IX, NIS 26, is in the nature of a gap in information and should receive the treatment appropriate to such a gap.
- c. Accordingly, the deadline of Chapter IX, NIS 26 should not be set forward but action should be taken with a view to filling the gap in the maintenance program.

The other members concurred in the views of the Chairman.

8. Copies of a list of proposed statements identifying contributors to sections of NIS were distributed to the members. State, Air Force, and Navy concurred in the list, with certain exceptions. Army required additional

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time for study. The exceptions were as follows:

- a. Identification of the mapping services as contributors will be as follows:
 - (1) *This material was prepared for the NIS under the general supervision of the Intelligence Division, GSUSA, by the Office of the Chief of Engineers (Army Map Service)
 - (2) "This material was prepared by the Navy Hydrographic Office
 - (3) "This material was prepared by the Aeronautical Chart Service"
- b. In some instances the principal producer of a section will be the Coast and Geodetic Survey instead of the Hydrographic Office. In these instances the former will be named instead of the latter.
- 9. It was reported that OSO will produce Sections 56 (Intelligence and Security) now in arrears as soon as possible and will hereafter make every endeavor to produce these sections to meet scheduled deadlines. State is to examine the situation with OSO at the working level and inform G/Ba which sections will be delayed and which will be submitted with the chapters of which they are a part.
- 10. The Navy Member distributed to the other members a proposal for security classification of various aspects of the NIS Program. G/Ba is to prepare a draft, based on this proposal, of an NIS Operating Memorandum which will be discussed at the next meeting.
- 11. The next meeting was scheduled for 1000 hours, Tuesday, 27 September 1949, at CIA. 25X1A9a

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